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SUPPLEMENTAL REISSUE DECLARATION

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As a below-named inventor, I declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is described and claimed in United States Reissue Patent Application Serial No. 10/612,731, filed July 1, 2003, which is a REI of United States Patent No. 6,255,948 B1, which claims benefit of United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/067,228, filed December 2, 1997.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification including the claims, as well as, the Preliminary Amendment dated July 1, 2003, the Amendment dated January 19, 2005, and the Response filed concurrently herewith.

I again acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

All errors which are being, or which have been, corrected in the present reissue application up to the time of filing of this declaration arose without any deceptive intention on my part.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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